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**Welcome to the HOLY GHOST PARISH**  
**OUR LITURGY & NEWS THIS WEEK**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**



**Blessed are those who have not seen but believe!**  
*Thomas was seeking the face of God but had to see for himself.  
He did and said MY LORD and MY GOD!  
We must value the gift of faith we have and continue to seek  
ways of coming closer to God in the Risen Christ.*

**OUR LITURGY Second Sunday of Easter – 8 April**

8.30am	RIP: Tilly & Pat Fox, Anne Scheider Clinch, Anne & Martin O'Hehir, Bernadette Heaney INT: Kathleen Sweeting
10am	People of the Parish, Kevin Montague, Teresa Carey, Peggy Gallagher, Audrey & Tony Kitching
11.30am	Kalang & Sunta Bonello, Maud Harrison, Philip & Josie Chapman & deceased members of the Chapman family
7pm	Mass for our Polish Community

*Continue to welcome and pray for those who became Catholics with us at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday*

IVEY MARY SAWYER,  
LUKE ANDREW SUTHARD  
LUKE, CHARLIE, TYLER, and  
KENNY BULL



*pray for them, their godparents, and catechists.*

**OUR LITURGY this Holy Week**

**Monday – SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION [from 25 March]**

1pm	Requiem Mass – Margaret Deon
7.30pm	SOLEMN MASS for the great feast

**Tuesday – Eastertime Feria**

9am	RIP: All Holy Souls INT: Conn Buckley
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**Wednesday - St Stanislaus- Bishop & Martyr**

	No Public Liturgy today
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**Thursday - Eastertime Feria**

	No Public Liturgy today
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**Friday - Eastertime Feria - Pope St Martin**

7.30pm	RIP: Sue Mahon Exposition, Confessions – Benediction 8.25pm
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**Saturday - Eastertime Feria - No Public Liturgy today**

**THIS WEEK in our parish**

Sunday Night Social – from 7pm – Parish Centre  
Monday - 8pm - Rosary Group – Chapel  
Tuesday- 8pm - Legion of Mary – Church Sacristy  
Tuesday – 8pm – Gift Course – Parish Centre  
Wednesday - 8pm – SVP – Church Sacristy  
Thursday – from noon Senior Citizens' Social Club – Parish Centre

**CONTACT US**

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Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Stephanie Dooley, Lena Keen  
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**Third Sunday of Easter - 15 April 2018**  
**We welcome Fr Tom Ryan from the Columban Fathers to preach the annual foreign missions appeal**

8.30am	RIP: Marie Bolam, Mick Jordan, Annie Gallagher, Martin Drone, Nora Clarke
10am	RIP: Pat Kilduff, Mary McCallion, Maureen Byrne, Philip Hancock
11.30am	People of the Parish RIP: Tom Morrison, Ivey Sawyer
7pm	Mass for our Polish Community

**POLISH COMMUNITY - Mass in Polish - Sundays 7pm**

☎ 662807 [parafiadunstable@gmail.com](mailto:parafiadunstable@gmail.com)  
Frs Piotr Redlinski, Slawomir Strycharski SChr.

**SYRO MALANKARA COMMUNITY Eucharist** : 10am every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday  
Fr Thomas Madakkumoottil ☎ 07722116265

**SCHOOLS - HOSPITAL - HOSPICE**

**HOSPITAL** - Chaplain: Fr Michael Patey ☎ 663706

**HOSPICE** Chaplain: Fr Tony Brennan ☎ 502400

**SCHOOLS** - \*Cardinal Newman Secondary [597125]

Primary - St Joseph [573446/572964]

- \*St Margaret of Scotland [723430]

[\* schools in St Alban Catholic Academy Trust]

**NORES** - Diocesan Office for RE, Evangelisation, Schools, & Catechesis - 9.30-4.30pm [Mon-Friday] in the Centre. ☎ 723312 / [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) [www.nores.org.uk](http://www.nores.org.uk)

**NYMO** – Northampton Diocese Youth Ministry Office in the Parish Centre. ☎ 01582 720627 / [nymo.org](http://nymo.org)

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK [ICEL 1998]**

God of life, source of all faith,  
through the waters of baptism  
you have raised up in Jesus and given us life that endures.  
Day by day refine our faith,  
that we who have not seen the Christ  
may truly confess him as our Lord and God,  
and share the blessedness of those who believe.

**OUR MASS TODAY –  
SECOND SUNDAY of EASTER**

**Second Reading**

1 John 5:1-6

*Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world*  
Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is - keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world - our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness - since the Spirit is the truth.

*This is the Word of the LORD – THANKS BE TO GOD*

**OUR PARISH PRAYER before MASS**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful  
AND KINDLE IN THEM THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE  
Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created  
AND YOU WILL RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH  
*Leader - Let us pray (we pause)* ALL - Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit, you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us to love what is right and always rejoice in your consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Processional**

We walk by faith and not by sight : no gracious words we hear of him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side nor follow where he trod; yet in his promise we rejoice, and cry "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief, and may our faith abound; to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found.

That when our life and faith is done in realms of clearer light we may behold you as you are in full and endless sight.

We walk by faith and not by sight : no gracious words we hear of him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near

**Greeting and Introduction**

**The Penitential Rite**

Lord Jesus you are the pattern of our life for ever:  
You are the promise and image of what we shall be:  
You will transform our lowly body into the likeness of your glory:

**Gloria**

*Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace, and on earth peace, peace to people of good will.*

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen.

**The Easter Sequence in Latin plainsong (Victimae paschali laudes)**

*To the Paschal Victim, Christians, offer a sacrifice of praise.  
The Lamb has ransomed his sheep;  
the innocent Christ has reconciled sinners with the Father.  
Death and life confronted each other in a prodigious battle;  
the Prince of life who died, now lives and reigns.  
"Tell us, Mary, what did you see upon the way?"  
"I saw the sepulchre of the living Christ;  
I saw the glory of the Risen One.  
I saw the angels, his witnesses, the shroud and the garments.  
Christ, my Hope, is risen; he will go before his own into Galilee."  
We know that Christ is truly risen from the dead;  
o Victorious King, have mercy on us.*



**The Easter ALLELUIA greets the gospel**

ALLELUIA ... You are the Christ everlasting,  
born for us all of a Virgin.  
You have conquered death  
opened heaven to all believers ... ALLELUIA

**Gospel**

John 20:19-31

The Lord be with you - AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John  
GLORY TO YOU, O LORD *Eight days later, Jesus came*  
In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'  
Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

*The Gospel of the Lord PRAISE TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST*

**The Easter ALLELUIA  
acclaims the gospel**

ALLELUIA!

**Homily**

**LITURGY of the WORD**

**First Reading** *United, heart and soul* Acts 4:32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

*The Word of the LORD – THANKS BE TO GOD*

**Psalm 117 – a choice of responses**

LET ALL THE EARTH CRY OUT YOUR PRAISES  
ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA

or

THIS DAY WAS MADE BY THE LORD WE REJOICE,  
THIS DAY WAS MADE BY THE LORD WE REJOICE, WE REJOICE,  
WE REJOICE ,WE REJOICE AND ARE GLAD!

## Renewal of Baptismal Promises

*The celebrant introduces the renewal*

Do you renounce sin,  
so as to live in the freedom of the children of God? **I do.**  
Do you renounce the lure of evil,  
so that sin may have no mastery over you? **I do.**  
Do you renounce Satan, the author and prince of sin? **I do.**  
Do you believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth? **I do.**  
Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of  
the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the  
dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father? **I do.**  
Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? **I do.**

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit  
and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins,  
keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.  
**Amen**

## Taking the Baptismal Waters as a sign of our renewal

### Intercessions

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### At the Preparation of the Gifts

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,  
wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain.  
Love lives again, that with the dead has been;  
love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, love whom men had slain,  
thinking that never he would wake again,  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:  
love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
he that for three days in the grave had lain;  
quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:  
love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you - AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.  
Lift up your hearts - WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God - IT IS RIGHT AND JUST.  
- *The Priest continues the Preface until we sing the Sanctus*  
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD GOD OF HOSTS.  
HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY.  
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST. BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES  
IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.

- *After the Consecration: "The Mystery of Faith" - we respond*  
WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH, O LORD,  
AND PROFESS YOUR RESURRECTION,  
UNTIL YOU COME AGAIN, UNTIL YOU COME AGAIN

### The Communion Rite

OUR FATHER .....

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our  
days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming  
of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER AND THE  
GLORY ARE YOURS NOW AND FOR EVER.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my  
peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever. AMEN

The peace of the Lord be with you always. AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT  
Let us offer each other a sign of the peace of Christ

*Agnus Dei - as the Bread (Christ's Body) is broken for us -*  
LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD,  
HAVE MERCY ON US (*twice*)  
LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD,  
GRANT US PEACE

### The Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the  
world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.  
LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY THAT YOU SHOULD ENTER UNDER MY ROOF  
BUT ONLY SAY THE WORD AND MY SOUL SHALL BE HEALED.

### Communion Procession – our Eastertime chant

LAUDATE DOMINUM, LAUDATE DOMINUM OMNES GENTES ALLELUIA  
[Praise God, Praise God all you peoples, alleluia.]

### Thanksgiving Chant after Communion

Jesus, risen Lord, triumphant King,  
Jesus, true Redeemer of the world  
*Hear our prayer, have mercy*  
*Hear our prayer, have mercy, give us your peace*

Jesus, Morning Star which never sets  
Jesus, Paschal Lamb and sacrifice

Jesus, bursting from the shattered tomb  
Jesus, mighty Victor over death

Jesus, Lord of life and Lord of light  
Jesus, here in form of bread and wine

### At 10 & 11.30am –

### Symbols of Baptism for children baptised last week

#### Processional

*Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.*  
*Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
He is the King of creation.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth.  
Jesus has died and is risen.



### Solemn Blessing and Dismissal from the Easter Garden

#### Organ Voluntary at 11.30am – tba

*(In many places the people remain and listen to the voluntary  
as a time of prayer and reflection. Try it for yourself!)*

#### Acknowledgements (Music - CALAMUS Licence)

Scripture Readings – Jerusalem Bible (1964) DLT  
Excerpts from the Roman Missal (3<sup>rd</sup> edn) – ICEL  
Gospel Acclamation – C Walker/F O Carroll *Alleluia give thanks - Don Fishel*  
Gloria & Acclamations –  
a) *New Celtic Liturgy – Chris Walker L529,553,554,591* b) *F. Duffy & S Bodley*  
*Now the green – J M C Crum* *Communion – Paul Inwood*  
*We walk by faith – Henry Alford* *Alleluia give thanks – Donald Fishel*

*At the end of Mass fold this leaflet back for the next person.  
Better still take it home your prayer and reflection*

### WE NEED TO PROCLAIM OUR EASTER FAITH –

so please make sure your **PALM CROSS** is in your car/van or  
house window. Our building is also doing its bit to witness now as  
we have a new light on the crucifix and the spire is now lit up  
throughout the night. Have you seen them both?

**THE GIFT – a Life in the Spirit Course** – 10 April to 15 May  
Tuesdays at 8pm in the Parish Centre [Bernadette].

Please sign up if you intend to follow the course. Look up these  
readings : Isaiah 11:2; 1 Corinthians 13:7-13 and 2:10-13  
Think about "unopened" Spiritual Gifts - like gifts we receive  
and decide to keep for "later" use.

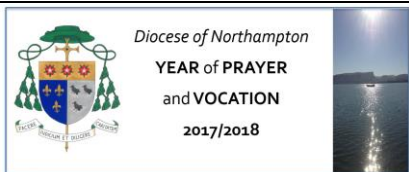
*A great way to keep Eastertime, and prepare for Pentecost*



# LITURGY & SACRAMENT

COLLECT YOUR MY DAY BY DAY – TODAY!!!

## TIME FOR PRAYER



*This month's theme* : celebrating our Baptismal Vocation especially the contribution of single people to the Church

**POPE FRANCIS asks you to pray with him in APRIL**

**For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters**

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

[[www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org)]

**PRAY FOR ALL ON OUR PRAYER BOARD**

- Add your requests there for your particular intentions

**PRAY for ALL OUR SICK and HOUSEBOUND** and all whose names are on the Prayer Board. Ask Sister Teresa to visit any parishioner who is sick at home in hospital [755917].

Contact Fr Kevin directly if you want him to come and anoint someone to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick.

**PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEAD** to know God's mercy.

Those who died recently, and whose funerals we are to keep :  
**MARGARET DEON, LUKE HEATH**

**NEXT INFANT BAPTISM** - Please see Fr Kevin to begin planning for the next dates or later in the year.

**MARRIAGE at HOLY GHOST** – Catholic churches require 6 months notice so please make sure if you are thinking of marrying here or anywhere else you see Fr Kevin in good time.

**DIOCESAN YEAR of PRAYER & VOCATION**

FRIDGE MAGNETS in the shop @ £1 only.

BOOKMARKS available for your prayer each day!

Have you learned the PRAYER of St Richard for the year?

## OUR PREMISES

**Church Cleaning – Group 2– Wednesday 9.30am**

HELP NEEDED – are you are free free to join our cleaning groups once a month – Wednesday, at 9.30am?

Please contact the office if you can spare an hour or two

## OUR PARISH FINANCES

**THANK YOU for your generosity to the weekly offering.**

*We really need £1500 each week to meet our budget*

**Good Friday Holy Places Collection - £427.65**

**300 Club Results (March)**

**£100** Peter Blessing (169)      **£30** Scarlett & Sullivan Hoare (297)

**£10** J Griffin (270)              **£10** Emer Conway (176)

**£10** Vivienne Jackson (119)   **£10** Julie Ann Mead (293)

**WINDOWS+ FUND now £27140.99 (Target £150K)**

**We have already spent £57,914.75**

*Second Collection on Easter Sunday raised £734.33*

'Home Collection Boxes' in the Narthex. Any full yet?

**WINDOWS+ FUND** Can you help with any unwanted foreign currency, or old pre Euro coins? Donate now in an envelope at the shop. We are also looking for gold, silver and jewellery.

Thank you for your support and generosity.

# OUR PARISH DIARY



**NOAH** – the bins are here TODAY the second Sunday of the month.

PLEASE THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU CAN BRING AND DONATE.

**14 April 9am/10am-11.30 FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION** for our young children – making up for the canceled meeting

**13-15 April VOCATIONS WEEKEND** for discerners to the priesthood at the Cathedral

**Saturday 14 April 2018 Noon – DIOCESAN MASS TO CELEBRATE MARRIED LIFE** [postponed due to inclement weather] at Holy Family Catholic Church, 226 Trelawney Ave. Langley, Slough, SL3 7UD All are welcome to attend. contact Eamon & Paola McMorrow [mfl@northamptondiocese.com](mailto:mfl@northamptondiocese.com) or telephone 07412151517

**14 April 1-2pm ACT OF WITNESS** in support of life and against abortion outside Luton and Dunstable hospital. Please come to give these children a voice - and to pray for all involved.

**14 April Open Day Sheltered Housing for Catholics** age 60 and over, Princes Risborough, Buckinghamshire, HP20 0JG, Refreshments 12.30pm for 1pm. Please see noticeboard for more information.

**15 April 3pm CATHOLIC HANDICAPPED CHILDREN'S FELLOWSHIP MASS** for those with special needs- St Martin's

**22 April VOCATIONS SUNDAY 2018**

**28 April Solitude Saturday 10-3pm** at St Clare's Convent, Luton, LU3 1ND

**Tuesday 1 May 2018 6.30pm - Churches Together in Bedfordshire Annual Forum** at Bunyan Meeting Church, Mill Street, Bedford MK40 3EU. All welcome.

**2-9 June MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE** 7 nights £589. For more details contact Mary Gillespie on 01582 579120

**9 June DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM** with Bishop Peter – Woman who followed him

**22-26 August WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES** in Dublin with Pope Francis. If you are interested in attending the event go to the website for more information. [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie)

**LOURDES 2018 – Parish Pilgrimage**

with Aylesbury - 10-15 September

[4\* - from £590] Contact Biagio Patalano 07980222620 or ask via the Parish Office.

**Luton Irish Forum's Baby & Toddler Group** meets at 102 Hitchin Road Luton LU2 0ES every Friday from 9.30am to 11.30am during term time. For information please call 01582 720447

**THANKS from Father Kevin** for your generous Easter Offering, gifts and cards. It does mean so much personally to know people bother so much.

*Thanks again to everyone who did so much and continues to do so much for the liturgy, the music, flowers, Church and grounds, the shop, and so much more, as well as everything to support the Centre.*